interest in the 1956 fiscal year, resulting in the interest deficiency referred to above; and

WHEREAS, An improvement in the earnings of the fund would decrease the financial burden upon the taxpayers and would improve the retirement income payable from the contributions of the teachers and employees; and

Whereas, The State's retirement and pension laws have been the subject of numerous bills submitted to the General Assembly, many of which have been enacted into law, and there is considerable grounds for belief that many administrative and statutory improvements might be effected to benefit both the taxpayers and the members of the retirement systems; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a thoroughgoing analysis of the administration, fiscal, management, operation and legal structure of the retirement and pension laws applicable to the State employees, teachers and State Police be undertaken by the Special Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters of the Legislative Council; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Employees' Retirement Fund, the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement Fund and the Board of Trustees of the State Police Retirement Fund be and they are hereby requested to give all possible assistance to the Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters for the purpose of conducting said study, including but not limited to the production of such actuarial data and analyses as the Committee may require; and be it further

Resolved, That all officials and agencies of the State Government be and are hereby requested to furnish whatever information and assistance may be needed for the purposes of the Committee's research to the end that a report, with any recommendations deemed appropriate by the Committee, be presented to the 1958 session of the General Assembly by the Legislative Council.

Approved March 18, 1957.

No. 11

(House Joint Resolution 16)

House Joint Resolution requesting the Governor of the State of Maryland to appoint a committee to study sub-standard housing conditions in Washington County.

Whereas, It has been brought to the attention of the General Assembly that a situation now exists in Washington County relative to the presence of a large number of sub-standard houses in said County affecting the sanitation conditions, health, safety and welfare

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.